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PASSES AS A WHITE MAN

HE LOOKS WHITE BUT DEATH EXPOSES HIS PRETENSIONS

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Society in New York Town Takes Him up—He Associates With the Best People and Makes Love to White Girl—White Escort.

Burkeville, Va., Special.—Death alone exposed Charles Flippen, a mulatto native of this place, who away from home has for years assumed the role of a white man.

His body arrived here over the Southern rai way last week from Newburg, N. Y., accompanied by a white escort compos d of two committemen of the street railway line of Newburg, of which he was an employe, and four members of a militia company of the First New York regiment, of which he was a member.

The escort was much chagrined to find that their comrade and associate was a Negro, he having in all his associations at Newburg represented himself as a white man or as having a quarter blooded Indian mother and Col. Flippen, of Southside, Va., as father.

Flippen was born near here about 1881, his mother being a mulatto of this vicinity who gave the child to Drucilla Flippen, also a mulatto, who lived with Col. Flippen. It is said that hundreds of persons attended the funeral in one of the white churches of Newburg on account of the high esteem in which he was held. The floral offerings were abundant. It is stated that he was an associate of white girls of good family and was engaged to a white girl of one of the best families of Newburg. His conduct in Newburg was commendable and his habits those of a gentleman.

NASHVILLE.

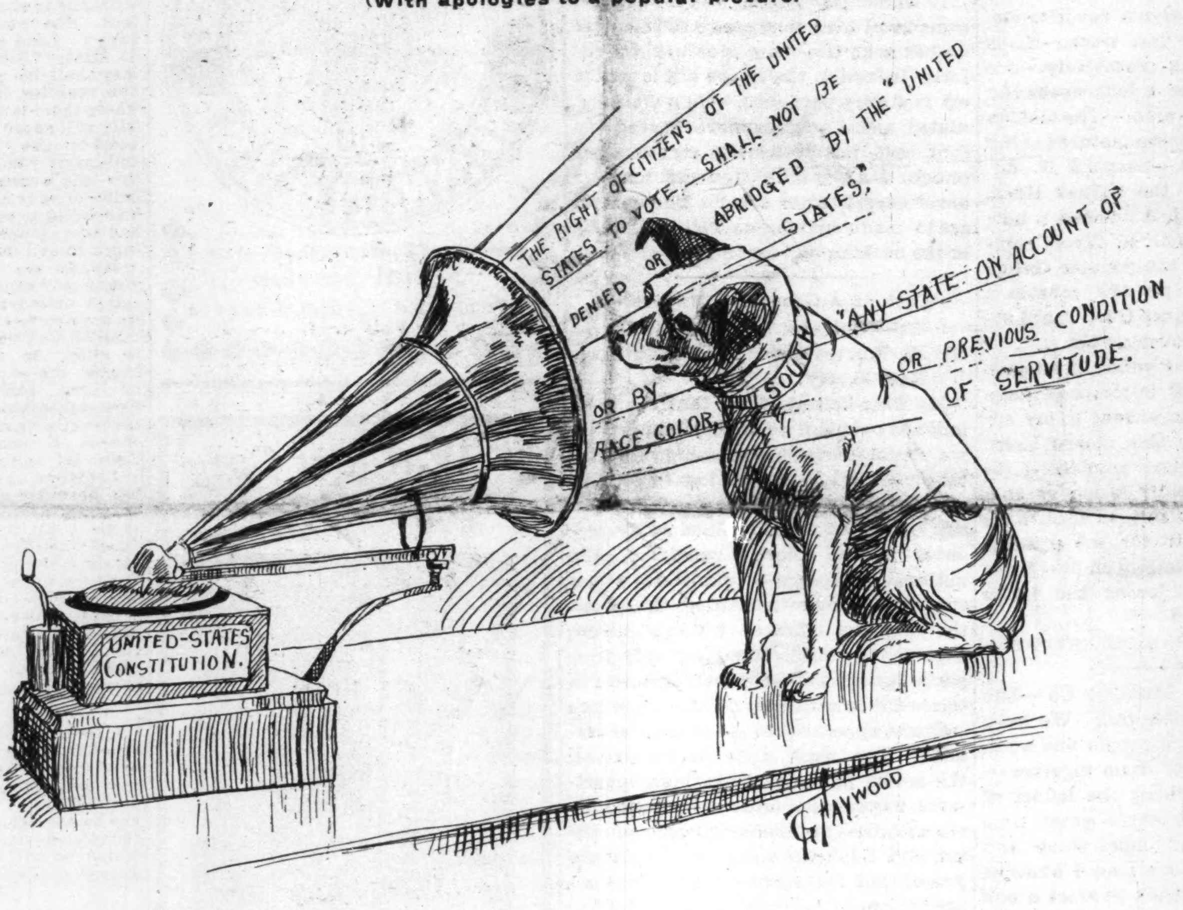
Nashville, Tenn., Special.—From the great appearance of overcoats in this city makes one think that we have settled down for winter.—Mr. Lusky, one of Nashville's most prominent business men, was tendered a pleasant surprise last Tuesday night at the hands of W. Crosthwait, who in company with W. M. Rouster, J. Vaughn, C. Ewing and George Hill, all musicians, wended their way to Mr. Lusky's home and entertained him and family by the rendering of several selections. The way Mr. Lusky entertained them showed he appreciated music in every phase.—Dock Liner's dancing school is becoming more popular every day, owing to the good order maintained and the best of music furnished. All those desiring an evening's enjoyment will find it there.—all the churches are making great preparations for Christmas and the entertainments they will produce will surpass anything heretofore that has been given St John's church, whose choir is under the direction of Charles Kelly and Miss Bruce Mae Ewing organist, bids fair to outdo anything they have ever put on in the past as the members of the choir are hand in hand with their director. They will also give a grand concert the first week in January.—The writer had the pleasure for the first time since his stay in Nashville of visiting the Bijou theatre where they make special provisions for their colored patrons If he had went up the stairs a little further he would have bumped his head against the ceiling. If the colored men who have the enjoyment of their race at heart would establish some place of amusement for their people these conditions of seeking amusement seated next to the skies would not exist. This is foot for thought—The Freeman is on sale each week at Dock L ner's barber shop, 406 Cedar street. Subscriptions also received there on application.

MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special.—H. F. Still of Philadelphia, Pa., a well known headwaiter of the East, with an old friend, J. C. Branch, is visiting in the city, and they are delighted with the beautiful city.—Mrs. H. F. Still will soon join her husband here and before returning East they will visit St. Paul, Denver and Southern California. Returning East they will stop in Chicago, Cleveland, Indianapolis and Pittsburg.

HIS MASTER'S VOICE

(With apologies to a popular picture.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HAYWOOD

THE A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

South Carolina Special.—This is the season in which the thoughful ones "most do congregate." The A. M. E. conference is now on here at Marion. Bishop Coppin is in the chair which he fills in the very highest sense. Promotion has not undone his mild and pleasant manners. His address to his conference was a well seasoned appeal for higher life. There is in attendance that polished gentleman and finished orator, Dr. Reynolds, of Norfolk, Va. I guess far amiss if Dr. Reynolds is not bishop timber. Let me mention the fearless, tireless Cappell, he is here; he to bears himself well and, doubtless, hears the buzzing of the Episcopal bee about his ears. The conference shows a remarkably improved condition in the ministry. The race comedy, drama, tragedy or whatever you have a mind to call it cannot fail with these men for actors.

I announce with pride becoming a true lover of my race that Tillmanism is on the wane. That great spokesman of the non-progressive South sees his pet measures repudiated by the people today who yesterday were loudest in his praise. Those who are blessed with the spirit of prophecy already speak of a falling senatorial mantle but here the parallel ends for no one is bold enough to even hint that the livery of heaven or any other manifestation of divine approval will attend the exit of the great senator.

The people of South Carolina are all right, and let us not forget that here in South Carolina may be found many of the purest blooded white people between the two oceans. If thrift on the one hand and inherited moralty and thought-power on the other will not righten things up name the needed elements.

Dr. Williams and wife entertained your humble servant at Hartsville a few days ago. Hartsville is too small for a minister of Brother Williams' open and progressive views, and he is now growing faster than his town. I now rise to motion his call to the first fine large church I find without a pastor.

SELMA.

Selma, Ala., Special.—The C. M. E. Conference, after one of the most profitable sessions ever held, adjourned last Sunday night. The personal of the conference was above the average.—The rally of the Congregational church last Sunday was quite successful, although the day was a very disagreeable one.—About seventy men were thrown out of employment on account of a fire in the cotton seed mill last Sunday morning.—Several of the boys took the civil service examination last week and hope soon to enter the government service. —Bishop Cottrell was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Irby during his stay in the city.—Stanley Sullivan has removed into his new store opposite the market.—Mrs. M. E. Bryant of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting in the city.—Green Cornegee, ex-chairman of the county executive committee, died in Mobile last Monday.—The holiday trade is on and from appearances it will be immense.

UNIONTOWN.

Uniontown, Pa, Special.—The I. I. P. D. R. S., has purchased new unforms for all of the waiters.—N. Shelton will spend the holidays at his home in Virginia.—Mrs. Ed. Sams has returned from Philadelphia.—The I. I. P. D. R. S., will give a concert at the Grand opera house during Christmas week. George Brown is arranging the program.—The exercises of the seventeenth anniversary of Rev. P. H. Thompson was very grand. We hope that the Elder will stay seventeen years longer. Rev. Hosley's oration was worth hearing. The audience did not like Charley Crable's speech; there was too much truth in it.—Call for The Freeman at Butler's store.

EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION

Atlanta, Ga., special.—The Atlanta Historical society is making great preparations for the emancipation celebration which will be held at Turner's Tabernacle January 1. Quite an elaborate program is being prepared. Rev. Dr. W. H. Weaver, formally of Baltimore, now pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will deliver the oration. Dr. W. M. F. Penn will read the proclamation; Mrs. Dr. H. R. Butler will read a very interesting paper.—The Masons of the city have purchased a centrally located site and will soon commence the erection of a four story temple.—The Rising Sun lodge A. F. and A. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing year last Thursday: E. C. Freeman, W. M; T. B. Kelley, S. W.; M. McNair, J. W.; Henry Branch, treasurer; W. A. Morgan, secretary.—Many of the Methodist conferences are being held in the state. The reports show improvement all along the line.—Dr. J. S. Flipper, president Morris Brown college, states that he is very well pleased at the record his college is making and hopes to see it out of debt in the near future.

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DOOR OF HOPE STANDS OPEN

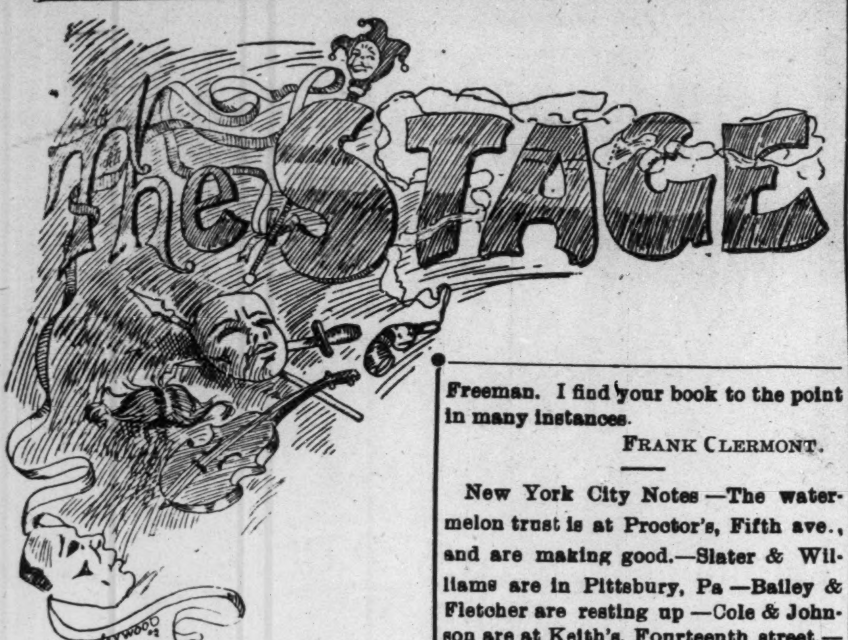
'Uncle Dick" Writes of the Opportunities of the American Negro in South America—All Men Created Equal—Mixing of the Bloods.

Washington, D. C., special.—The Negroes of the United States have never known freedom, they will probably never know it. True no master legally robs them of their daily earnings as was the case during slavery days, but the Negro is not at liberty to chose his companions nor even to enter some of the so-called Christian churches. No matter how sincerely he walks in the steps of Jesus; no matter how carefully he observes the conventionalities of good society; no matter if he attains the height of civilization and carefully respects the rights of others; under all circumstances his mind is clouded by the knowledge that he walks among enemies. In South and Central America this is not so, there his mind is as free as the body; the laws protects him as carefully as it protects the wealthiest man. This I know personally and my evidence is supported by historians and writers. Simon Bolivar, the Washington of South America, said, as recorded: "There must be no caste on this continent, there is no blood less noble than other blood, all is the same in the sight of God; all are heroes who enter the camps of the battalions of liberty and all are equally entitled to the just recompense of valor, of honor, of intelligence, of sacrifice and virtue." This is not like the sounding the brass and tinkling cymbal heard in the United States Declaration of Independence which says: "All men are created free and equal"—except the Negro.

Ramon Paez, son I think of President Paez, in his book "Wild Scenes in the Llanos of Venezuela" proudly quotes the noble Frenchman, Mons. Lavasse, who asks: "Why is it that individuals proceeding from a mixture of African and indigenous American blood have greater strength, finer forms more intellectual faculties and moral energy than the Negro or Indian? Why, although the white be, in general, superior in strength of body, mental power and in moral force to the aboriginal American and to the Negro, why, I ask are the individuals born of a union of a white man with an Indian woman (the mestizos for instance) inferior in mental and corporeal qualities to to the Zambos? Why are the Mestizos generally distinguished by finer figures, agreeable countenances and in mildness and docility of their dispositions? Why is the mulatto, son of a white man and Negro woman superior to the Zambo in intellectual facilities but is inferior in physique? Why is it that when those races are mixed their progeny is remarkable for a more healthy and vigorous constitution and for more vital energy than the individuals born in the same climate of indigenous European or African blood without mixture?"

Wm Elery Custis in his book "A Land Where it is Always Summer," says it is a common thing to see a white woman with a octoroon or even a mulatto for a husband and even more common to see a white man with a tinted Venus for a wife. At public balls, at the hotels and other places of resort in political, commercial and social gatherings the three races—Spanish, Indian and Negro—and the mixed bloods mingle without distinction. It is an ordinary sight to find black and white faces side by side at the dining tables of the hotels and restaurants, and in the schools and colleges the color of the child makes no difference in his standing or treatment. Some of the most eminent lawyers and jurists are of Negro blood, and in the clergy no race or distinction is recognized. I have seen a colored theological student—and one can always be detected by the long black frock and shovel hat he wears—walking arm in arm with a white comrade, and in the assignment of priests among parishes the bishop never thinks of race prejudice"

The door of hope is wide open in the land where it is always summer, where there is no hunger, no cold, no slavery, no race prejudice. Lay up money, do some kind of business, be ready to go to the homstead that awaits you. Some Moses will arise and lead you out of the land of oppression to a land of perpetual crops of the good things of life.



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FRANK CLERMONT,

DEAR SIR:—I have been pleased to note your progress. I like your offer of inducement to young musicians seen in this weeks issue of The Freeman. I wish for you much success.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL

NEW YORY CITY, N. Y., 1904.

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MY DEAR SIR:—Accept many thanks for your complimentary number of "Poems on Colored Actors" and note quoting your wish for my success of my offer to young musicians seen in The Freeman. I find your book to the point in many instances.

FRANK CLERMONT.

New York City Notes—The watermelon trust is at Proctor's, Fifth ave., and are making good.—Slater & Williams are in Pittsbury, Pa—Bailey & Fletcher are resting up—Cole & Johnson are at Keith's, Fourteenth street.—Wm. Nichols, the mimic, is negotiating with the Northwest circuit—Joe Mocre and his quintette are doing nothing just now.—Bob Kelley's "Trip to the Jungles" failed to materialize.—Smith & Bowman's Troubadours tour was posponed till December 26, the opening point will be Scranton, Pa.—Robert McPherson, John B. Nail, Jr., and C M. Battey are the promoters of the assembly and high art in literature and music. Prof. Walter F. Craig and his famous orchestra furnishes music for their occasions. Their music is furnished by the Attuck Music Publishing Co.—Ernest Hogan is in the city.—Sid Perrin, Emma De Costa and Billy Yerger are doing nicely; the go over Poli's circuit as a trio of refined comedy actors and dancers.—Tony Lucas is to do his act of patrolman in plain clothing.—Johnny Mitchell is the proper card at the Douglass club.—Report reaches here that a "Trip to Africa" has stranded in Virginia.—A few big vaudeville are being bunched together.—Harry Stout, one of Brooklyn's favorite violinist, was a visitor last week.—Black Carl is mystifying everybody.—Joe Britton will leave for a four weeks run over Keith's circuit soon.—The Golden Gate quintette are being featured at the Orpheum, Brooklyn.—Shepard N. Edmonds, manager of the Attuck Music Publishing Co, has just finished a new ditty, "Fancy."—Will H. Tyer, composer of "Trocha," the popular Cuban dance, has placed on the market a catchy two step, "Squee Gee," published at the Attuck Publishing Co.

Many thanks to the young musicians for the overflow of letters and telegrams I received in answer to my advertisment. I take this means to inform you that I received your letter, to answer them personally is too great a task. Kindly consider that I have all the musicians I want for the present, but will place your letters on file should any disappointment occur the lucky party will be notified.

FRANK CLERMONT.

Notes of Helms Minstrel Co—The show is doing fine this fall. We have just signed five more people and a jollier crowd has never come together.—Mr. Helms is climbing the ladder of fame every day. In three years time he has accumulated more stock and property than any one man I know of in his race. He intends to start a one ring circus next spring which will be the only show on the road owned and controled by a colored man. He has a 90 and 140 foot tent, 26 horses, 2 bears, monkeys, trained dogs and will book nothing but colored people. He intends to put something on the road that has never been seen before. He would like to hear from all the amateur acrobatic colored people in the business also a band leader. We are now playing to standing room only and we are sending them away howling every night with our comic farces and grotesque dancing. Mr. Helms would like to hear from Skinner Harris, Dan McCabe and L. E. Gideon.

Billy McClain writes from London, England.—It is very pleasant to receive The Freeman. I have accepted the general management of the John Tiller Training school of 300 and also producing a big pantomine for Robert Arthur, and playing the star comedy part. There are a good many colored people over here doing nothing because they are chorus people; good colored performers are all working and doing great others just the reverse, these people know show business backward and you must be it to get by. You can't bluff them by shouting coon songs, you must be artistic and dance, if you can't dance you don't work. So, for the benefit of some of the people that have cabled and wrote that they were coming over better either be booked are clever with your feet. After my pantomine engagement I will return to Yankee land and settle up my affairs and then sail back to the countay where talent is appreciated regardless of nationality creed or color.

Notes of Billy Kersand's Minstrel Co.—We are now playing a line of return dates which will continue until Xmas.—We were entertained in Belville, Texas, on the 30th of November by very dear friends of ours, W. W. Kerr and Mr. Perine at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perine. Mr. Kerr was once a member of Culligan and Morgan's Famous Alabama Minstrel.—Dave D. Smith is on the cripple list.—Regards to Harry Fiddler, F. L. Denton and J. W. Cooper

THE WAITERS...

J. H. Johnson Dead.

Joseph H. Johnson, a leading colored undertaker of Savannah, Ga., died on Wednesday, December 7, 1904. Mr Johnson leaves a wife and two sons to mourn their loss; also two sisters, Mrs. L. J. Foster, of New York City, Mrs. W. Forrest Cozart, Atlantic City, N. J., and two brothers, R. and A. L. Johnson of New York City.

The Hotel Mens' Mutual Benefit Association of the United States and Canada have selected Atlantic City, N. J., for its next meeting place. The last two conventions have been held in hotels where white waiters were employed, so the colored waiters of Atlantic City must be on their mettle and make good.

A Menu Served in a Southern City.

The following menu was served in a Southern city by some of the "400":

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Green Peas,
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Assorted Cakes,
Roquefort Cheese, Water Crackers,
Assorted Nuts,
Coffee,
Champagne Punch.

It would pay the above "400" to get some hotel man to arrange their course dinner next time they give one, for the form in which the above bill is gotten up is a very poor one. On a well regulated menu quail is never served before beef, but is usually served after punch. Asparagus tips on toast is never served after salad. There is an art in menu making as well as there is in the cooking and serving.

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Chicago, Ill., Nov. 14, 1904.

Mr. W. Forrest Cozart, Atlantic City, New Jersey:

My Dear Friend—Now that the campaign is over and we are rejoicing while we contemplated the splendid results, I take pleasure in expressing to you my sincere appreciation of your efforts in support of the work outlined and prosecuted by the colored buseau of the national campaign committee. I am sure that you contributed to that work the very best effort of which you were capable, having in mind not only your party fealty, but your vital interest in the result as a member of the race whose welfare appeared to hang in the balance. The work done by you and all the active participants in your department have been highly commended by the members of the campaign committee, and I take pleasure in informing you of that fact and to add to it my appreciation. F. L. BARNETT.

Annual Banquet by Waiters.

The waiters of the Oliver Hotel, South Bend, Ind., gave their first annual banquet November 28th, which was an exceedingly successful affair. Mr. Frank Wells, the promoter, displayed much ability and executive power in its management. Dr. J. H. Fears, the guest of honor, spoke at some length on the subject of "Proficiency in Hotel Work." G. W. Bland, headwaiter and honorary guest, gave some sound advice on the subject of waiters. Charles W. Kittrell responded to the toast on 'Life's Work." Mr. Wells will organize a Waiters' Club, of which Dr. J. H. Fears will be advisor and foster father.

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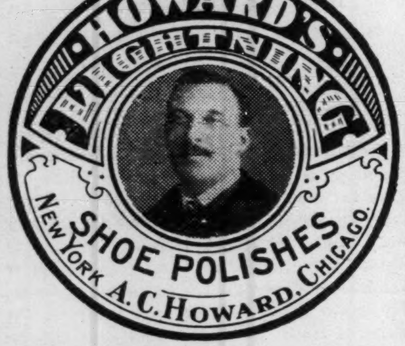

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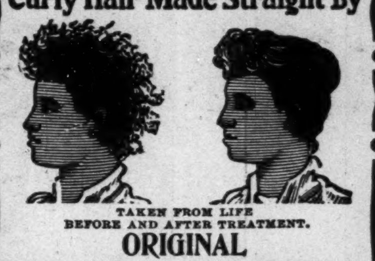

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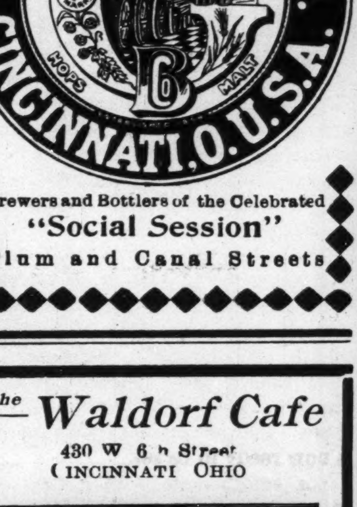

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WAITERS' MANUAL.

HOW TO SET A BANQUET TABLE.

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It requires an artist of no small merit to set a banquet table. As science in the culinary art changes as rapidly as all other science, a headwaiter should keep up with the times in order to be up-to-date in setting a banquet table and serving the banquet in the proper style.

The decorations of the room and the appearance of the table are the two main features in a banquet hall. If the table and room be artistically decorated this will attract the eyes of the guests on entering and will fill their hearts with gladness

If flowers, palms and other foliage are seen at every hand and sweet strains of music are heard, all worry and care will disappear, and joy will reign supreme. I shall endeavor to point out a few of the most important points to be considered in setting a banquet table.

The first thing to consider is the dining hall in which the tables are to be arranged. Ascertain the exact size of the hall or room and then draw the design for the tables accordingly, allowing for the number of guests to be served. Reserve the design for future reference.

In selecting the design for this occasion the greatest consideration should be given with regard to space, as it is absolutely necessary that the guests should be seated comfortably, and, in addition ample space should be reserved between the rows of tables and between the outside rows and the walls, for the waiters to pass. After having placed the tables according to the design, special care should be taken to see that they are perfectly straight, having the same height and width. If one or more tables are found to be slightly lower than others, they can be made the same height by placing small blocks under each leg.

The next thing to do is to lay the felts and then put the cloths on the tables. The cloths should be put on so that the end of each cloth will overlap a few inches. The crease in the center of the cloth should be so arranged as to form one long line down the center of the table. This having been done, the table is now ready to be set.

For comfortable dining each guest should be given a space of from two and a half to three feet; sometimes, however, when the room is small and a large number of guests are to be seated, it might be necessary to give a space of only two feet to a person. The space should be measured in order that each guest have justice. Having decided on the exact space that is to be allowed each guest, the plates should be placed on accordingly.

On each plate is placed a napkin folded for the occasion. The shapes most commonly used are a plain square fold, a diamond-shaped fold, which sets up about six inches, and a cap, both of which are artistically folded so as to leave a little space in which a roll can be placed. A bouquet and guest-card can be placed in the crown of the cap or in the top of the diamond. No other fancy folds should be used for a banquet.

Chairs should be placed in front of the plates, in a straight row, with a space between them and the table, sufficiently wide so as to allow the guest to pass down the aisles between them.

The most important instructions are in connection with the relative positions that the plate, knives, forks, spoons, water and wine glasses occupy.

The plates should be exactly in line, one inch from the edge of the table. On the right of each plate place one or two large service knives and one fish knife, service knives always taking first position next to the plate, and then the fish knife. The edge of the knife should be turned toward the plate and the end of the knife handles should come to the edge of the table.

Next to the knives come the dessert and teas poons, the ice-cream fork, and the after dinner spoons, similarly placed, except that the bowls of the spoons should always be turned upward.

At the left of the plates come the service forks and, next to them, the regular fish forks, with the ends of the handles coming to the edge of the table and placed with the times turned upward. Knives and forks of the same size can be used if there are no smaller ones at hand

The tablespoons should be placed in front of each plate between the point of the knife and the fork, running parallel with the edge of the table, having the bowl of the spoon turned upward with handle pointing toward the right.

The tines of the oyster fork should rest on the edge of the oyster plate, at the right, its handle parallel with the edge of the table. The oyster fork may also be placed on the right side, crosswise of the knives, with prongs or tines touching bowl of spoon. Soup spoons may also be placed on the right side of the fish knife.

Fruit knives, when used, should be placed on the front of plate with handle turned toward the right.

Individual butter pats should be placed on the right side, near the tip end of the knife, and should be placed so they will be in a direct line the entire length of the table.

If wine is to be served, the glasses should be arranged as follows, provided a complete set is to be used: Seven glasses to each guest comprise a full set, viz, one sherry glass, two white wine glasses, two red wine glasses, one champagne glass and a water glass. Wine glasses are placed at the right of the plate and in the following manner: First, the sherry glass, which is placed about five inches from the edge of the table and about four inches from the plate; next to the sherry glass comes the Rhine wine glass, and then the water glass. These glasses are placed about four inches apart. Another perpendicular row of three glasses is made parallel to the first row. The first glass in the second row is for any kind of white wine, the second for claret and the third is a Burgundy glass. The champagne glass is placed to the right of the claret glass.

If a complete set of glasses is not to be used, the glasses may be arranged according to the wine that is to be served; for instance, if sauterne, claret and champagne are to be served place the sauterne glass first, claret next, and then the champagne glass, all being placed in a straight or curved row.

A sufficient number of salt and pepper shakers should be placed at intervals along the table in a straight line and should be a little to the right in front of the plate, within reach of the guest. If individual salts are used, of course one should be at every plate. Casters should not be used on a banquet table, but vinegar cruets should be distributed down the center of the table.

Flowers may be arranged along the center of the table in vases, with a few ferns artistically scattered at the base of the vases or pots. Pot-plants can be placed in the center of the table (when there are no flowers) with the pot wrapped in fancy tissue paper or a napkin.

Bread, salted almonds, olives, radishes and celery should be tastefully arranged along the table on both sides of the center line.

Compotes of fruit should be placed at a reasonable distance along the center of the table.

Fill water glasses and place butter on table about fifteen minutes before the guests come in. Oysters should be on table about five minutes before the guests come.

Special attention should be paid to the temperature of the room, which should never be more than sixty-five degrees. The room should be well aired before the guests enter and good ventilation maintained while they are dining.

There are several different designs that can be used for large and small banquets. The following are commonly used, viz, the "U," the "T," and the "L" shapes; also the "cross," the "crescent," the "horse-shoe" and the "diamond" shapes.

For very large banquets I would recommend that the tables be arranged as follows: Have a row of tables across the head, reaching from one side of the room to the other, leaving space enough to run long lines of tables down the sides of the wall, with room enough for waiters to pass between table and wall. This will form a large "U." Then place as many long rows of tables in the "U" as you can, leaving sufficient space between each row for the guests and waiters to pass. Each row must be joined to the row which forms the head. There should be no table across the foot of the long rows, as this is the way the guests and waiters will have to pass in and out, nor should there be any chairs on the inside of the head table. Do not place the chairs at the head as close together as at the other tables, as they will be occupied by guests of honor, and there should be plenty of room. A large arm chair should be placed in the center of the row of chairs at the head of the table for the presiding officer.

A sufficient number of tray-racks should be conveniently located in the aisles.

The tables should be beautifully decorated with flowers, ferns, smilax, fruits, etc Ferns should be placed in hollow square or diamond shapes around the base of flower vases. Bouquets can be placed in napkins, as previously described, or on the table in front of the plates. A long string of smilax can be artistically arranged along the inside of the head table. The banquet hall should be profusely decorated, the walls gracefully covered with festoons of smilax. Along each side of the room should be placed enormous palms, among whose leaves should be hung scores of incandescent lights.

If the banquet is given by or for some patriotic society or some political club, flags and buntings, prettily arranged, may be added to the decoration of the hall displaying the national colors. Chandeliers and posts, should there be any of the latter in the dining-hall, may be decorated with bunting and smilax. Large flags may be suspended from the ceiling, and the portraits of one or more patriots may be hung on the walls.

The band of music should be partly hidden behind palms and other decorations

Each waiter, thoroughly drilled, should be assigned a certain number of chairs, and all should be marched out to the kitchen and back into the dining room several times in line that they may familiarize themselves with the line of march and their position in the same. The waiters should wear full dress suits, standing collars and white bow ties, and should not display jewelry nor handkerchiefs. The headwaiter should wear a full dress suit and black bow tie. If it is not convenient for all the waiters to wear full dress suits they may wear black jackets, but no aprons.

The oysters may be put on before or after the guests come in.

Everything now being in readiness, the waiters will stand erect at their given places, with their arms at their sides.

The doors will then open, and while the band plays the march, the guests will file in and seat themselves.

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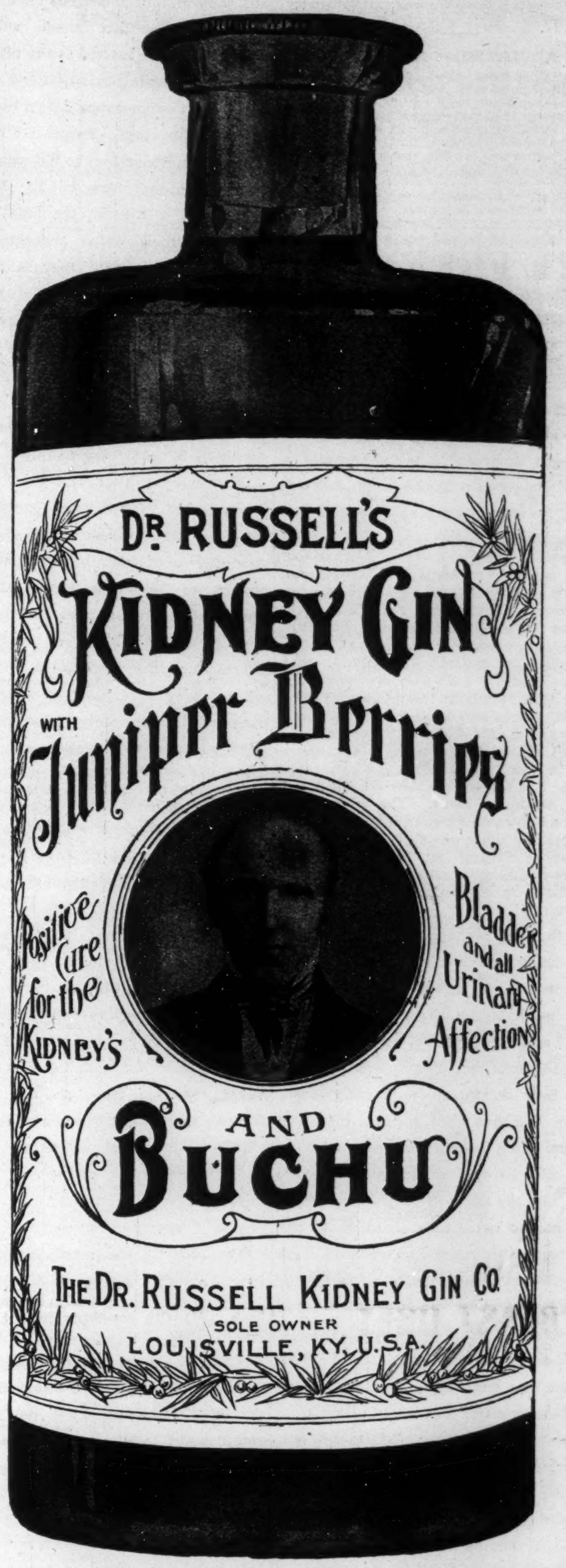

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THE NEGRO AS A WORKMAN.

The New York Sun, discussing at length the change supposed to be taking place in the industrial system of the South, has this to say in the way of warning or advice:

"Unquestionably, during the last decade the Negro in the Southern States has lost ground, not only in everry field of skilled labor, but even as a farm hand. His place in the South's industrial system can no longer be regarded as secure. Nothing, however, is more certain than that, in our commercial industrial democracy, the ability to hold his own as a worker is the supreme test by which the Negro's future on this continent will be determined. * * * It follows that the Negro's hope, we will not say of rising, but even of retaining his present industrial position, depends on his ability to live up to the new standards of industry, skill and thrift. The white man whom the Negro now has to fear is he who, by conforming more closely to those standards than he himself can do, is likely to take his work away from him. His immediate danger is, not from oppression, but from rivalry."

This, though perhaps somewhat overdrawn, nevertheless contains a germ of truth worth considering. It would be strange indeed if the Negro had not "lost ground," considering the difficulties he has had to confront and the burdens he has had to bear during the last forty years. His work has been hard at best; his tasks bitter and often poorly requited. But this was not all. In addition to the hard work called for by the necessities of his position, he has had to carry extra loads that were enough to crush a race of elephants. He had to "tote," as they say in the South, not only his own burden, but a lot of other burdens piled on top of him by unjust laws, unfair discrimination and hateful class prejudice. He has had to do his work under unsanitary conditions, amid uncomfortable surroundings, ill-housed, ill-fed and poorly protected. Opportunities of all kinds to improve himself have either been denied entirely or grudingly allowed. When having an equal chance, the Negro has always shown himself, man for man, the equal as a workman to any other race. In several lines he is unequaled as a laborer, nor has the race shown inferiority in ability to acquire knowledge of the mechanic arts. Tuskegee has amply proved what Negro men and women can do when properly taught under favorable surroundings. Its students rank among the best in various lines of high employment, such as dairying, bridge-building, architecture and every calling embraced in the industries learned at technical schools. The Sun may rest assured that the Negro will not lose ground, but hold his own, if given an equal chance. He must not be expected, however, to carry the white man's burden as well as his own, and be kicked and cuffed while doing it. In conclusion we will make this remark for the benefit of all concerned: If the time ever should come when the Negroes of the South should be crowded out, unable to hold their own, it will be the white people of that section and not the Negroes who will be the chief sufferers.

The Indianapolis World is shocked at the discovery of a "leg-pulling" preacher "in aur midst." It was some time before the World heard about it, but after it caught on it administered a caustic but deserved rebuke. The World states the case thus:

"We are going to tell you what we hear about a preacher, who pastors a church not fifty miles from the yellow bridge. Once upon a time a colored man conceived the idea of running for congress. It was necessary for this candidate to get two hundred signatures to a petition to have his name placed upon the ballot. This innocent preacher, herein referred to, signed the petition, but after reflecting for twenty-four hours, his fertile brain suggested that he might speculate upon his innocence, and he accordingly went to the managers of another candidate's interest and demanded $35 to withdraw his name from said petition. Not content with this break, he wrote the candidate a personal letter, asking for $25 more. With the greed for gold still lingering in his breast, he wrote another letter stating that "he was willing to do all he could for the party," but unless there was something "in it" he desired to have his name "expunged from the speakers' bureau." He was promptly told that the committee had placed him on the list of "Evangelistic Leg Pullers." One is justified in asking how many congregations are "sold out" every election by unscrupulous preachers, who beg money from campaign committees for the church, get it, and the church never hears of the transaction?

Perhaps the World would be even worse disgusted if it learned that its special "find" was not the only "leg-pulling" preacher in this community. It does not seem to have heard of that "meek and lowly" crowd who were invited to the office of the regular candidate's manager and sent away happy with a five dollar bill in the clutches of each pious soul. Some of them, or all of them, had been for the independent candidate up to that time, but the temptation to "make a little on the side" was too great for their virtue and they yielded. They took the money, they said, "for the church," but it would be well if the trustees in charge of the church's funds should look to see if these five dollar bills found the way into the treasury or into the pastor's pocket.

The World is none too severe in its excoriation of the "leg-pulling" preacher. The ordinary grafter and boodler is bad enough, but "leg-pulling" in the name of the Lord would seem to cap the climax. Are our churches, through palm-itching pastors, to be made levers for prizing money out of candidates and committees during campaigns? If so, ought not the proceeds of the hold-ups to go into the church treasuries instead of the greedy pans of the boodling preacher? These fellows alluded to are setting us all a fine sample of how to "elevate the race." In the first place they sold out Mr. Knox by wholesale and then sold themselves by retail. But for the courage of Mr. Knox in making the independent race, these fellows would not have had the chance to money by selling out first him and then themselves. Such being the case, they ought to be willing to divide the blood money which they earned at his expense, or, still better, perhaps, they might do as Judas Iscariot did with the thirty pieces of silver obtained from selling out Jesus Christ; they might buy a Potters' Field in which to bury themselves and the whole race of treacherous grafters and boodlers of the "revered" persuasion.

The Republicans must understand that they are not in charge of the government permanently, regardless of the manner in which they conduct things. Landslides have a way of repeating themselves, and a repetition of 1872 is not impossible. It is certain that the people will not stand for a electrotyped tariff system for whose altitudinous schedules there is no justification in reason or justice. Another danger lies in chronic deficits. Right now the government is spending millions more than it is taking in. In other words, the expenditures greatly exceed the receipts. Manifestly, therefore, either the receipts must be increased or the expenditures diminished. The man who spends more than he makes is sure to go broke in the long run. Same with governments. And if the powers that be can't find some way to head off the Squanderfields in charge of the disbursements, the balance on the wrong side of the ledger will soon bring on the same conditions that wrought ruin to Cleveland's second administration and, incidentally, to his party.

Before another election there should be a voting machine in every Indiana precinct The Australian ballot, though a great improvement over its predecessor, is already out of date. The voting machine has everything to recommend it, being absolutely accurate, a preventor of blunders and spoiled ballots, speedy in announcing the result and a bar to vote buying that will practically eliminate that vile practice. It is also economical, its use saving more than half the expenses of the present method. The incoming legislature should pass a law making it mandatory on all the counties to purchase and install voting machines. Their use will be a great step forward in that most important of all reforms, an honest, clean and unpurchased ballot.

A hundred of the most prominent citizens of Natchez, Miss., telegraphed President Francis a hot repudiation of the sentiments expressed by Governor Vardaman in his ill-mannered dispatch concerning the President and the Mississippi building. "A prophet," we are told in Holy Writ, "is not without honor save in his own country." Evidently Vardaman is one of the prophets who is not honored either at home or abroad.

The encouragement that honest and intelligent young Negro men get in the South from certain employers is well illustrated in a story told by Booker Washington. A certain white farmer asked him to secure for him a young colored man to work about the house and in the field. The young man was secured, a bargain entered into to the effect that he was to be paid a certain sum monthly, his board and lodging to be furnished as well. After working all the first afternoon he was handed a buttered biscuit for his supper and told he could find a place to sleep in the fodder loft. Yet some white landowners down South complain of the "shiftlessness" and unreasonableness of their colored help!

A Texas man, writing to the Indianapolis News last week, notified the North that the South wouldn't "make up" with President Roosevelt unless he agreed to quit appointing Negroes to office, quit "interfering" with Southern affairs generally, and express regrets and apologies for what he had done in the past. This Texan is probably a son of some man who, fifty years ago, would not be on friendly terms with any man who did not approve of the institution of slavery and refrain from criticising slaveholders. Perhaps the only way the President can satisfy this six-footer is to join the Democratic party and resign in favor of Parker.

Nearly $42,000,000 is to be spent next year in building battleships. Would not this money be better spent in providing additional schools in the South and teaching the young men of that section practical agricultural methods? We can get along quite well with the warships we already have, but more and better education is a practical need all the time. Until we can have a better class of teachers than those drawing eleven dollars a month and longer than three month terms we might quite profitably direct some of our naval appropriation in that direction.

Track elevation is one of the most urgent of all needed reforms in Indianapolis. The city has supped full of the grade crossing horrors, the ghastly record of preventable deaths due to corporate greed, carelessness and persistent violation of the speed ordinances. By not exercising its right to force a stoppage of these outrages, the city makes itself a participant in the crime. Let the tracks be elevated no matter what the cost. If there is not enough law to do this let the legislature be bombarded for more. No railroad should be allowed to cross any street at grade.

Heflin, the newly elected congressman from Alabama, is reported to be trembling in his number-11-boots over the move to expel him from congress. He is the chap who, in a public speech last fall, advised the assassination of the President. When they get through with Heffiln the Senate might try its boots on Tillman. If a few of these fire-eaters were given to understand that they will not be allowed to preach murder and make laws at the same time, this pestiferous class of politicians would grow less.

We regret to see that the editor of the Washington Bee, who is an able man, can't get the right focus on Booker T. Washington. For some reason the Bee man always sees Mr. Washington's doings from the wrong point of view, and thus indulges in sneers and criticism which, to most of the rest of us, seem not only unjust, but highly unwise. We must not expect perfection of any man; but the whole world is practically agreed that the Tuskegee educator is one of the wisest leaders and greatest man of this age.

The last of the old Hebrew prophets gave utterance three thousand years ago to this sentiment, "Do justice, love mercy and walk in the fear of the Lord." That has not been improved on since as a rule of action, and if men would only act on it in all affairs concerning each other, there would be no race problem, war problem or social problem which could not be easily settled.

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President Roosevelt is being invited to stop in many Southern cities on his way to Texas next spring. He is promised royal treatment, and it is hoped his talks may expedite the "era of good feeling."

Revising of the tariff and those "grandfather clause" constitutions in the South will constitute the main issue of the next congress.

John Sharp Williams will be leader of the Democratic minority in the next Congress if he can find anything to lead.

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Columbia, Tenn., Special.—Dock Cice] and Miss Lula McKnight will be united in marriage Dec. 15th at Gordon Lot Hall.—Mr. Zion and Mrs. Sadie Moss of Millerton leave for Chicago on Dec. 25th.—Larkin, Simpson and Brown bought Tom Simpson's brick yard and brick house valued at $20,000.

MINEOLA.

Mineola, Texas, Special.—The Colored Cemetery club met last week and transacted business of importance.—The enterprising citizens of this city "clubbed together" and purchased a site for a school building last week. They are trying to get the city to purchase the lumber.—A good colored eye specialist is needed in this city.—The people are making great preparations for Xmas

THE NEW IDEA.

As we read the history of men and science we find that a new idea usually meets with ridicule and is rejected with scorn and hatred as though original thought were a crime.

When Galileo discovered that the earth goes around the sun the idea was such a new one that they made him go down on his knees and publicly retract the glorious truth.

It requires years and sometimes even centuries to work out a new idea thoroughly For the last few years the subject of bleaching the skin of the Negro has attracted the attention of scientific men.

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THE STAGE.

By "WOODBINE."

The only and original Black Happy Hooligan, Charles W. Williams, is making a great hit through the South in his comedy juggling act with the Miles Orton show.

Tom Briggs, the Mississippi favorite, is making a success as singing comedian with A Rabbit's Foot comedy company, and sends regards to Tom Parker and Mrs. Josie Gibbs and Dr. L. T. Miller.

Notes from Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin Co., Grant Luce, Manager.—We were royally entertained while in Lancasfer, Pa., by the Jonah social club. All colored professional people when in Lancaster should look up this club; S. J. Ferguson, the general president, will be pleased to meet you and make it pleasant during your stay. A Merry Christmas to all. Hello, Kelley.

"A Trip to Honolulu," will be a winner for 1905-'06 if money and experience can make it so. The uniforms for the band and also the orchestra are certainly something novel. They are booking the Klaw and Erlanger circuit, and will play Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington with fifty people, then finish the season with thirty people. The title is fully copyrighted by J. Turner Wall, copyright number 100457—Library of Congress,—lookout infringers. After touring America the company will sail for Honolulu and Australia, under directions of the Hawaiian Promotion Committee. A guarantee for ten weeks.

Notes from Williams and Stevens in Hottest Coon in Dixie.—We played Peoria, Ill., Dec., 8 to a packed house. After the night's performance, Mr. Williams was the guest of Jule Jordan, proprietor of the Haymarket buffet and cafe one of Peoria's wealthiest colored men. In Bushnell, Prof. Henderson Smith met William Tichner, a brother of George Tichner, who showed him a good time while we were there. Mrs. Smith has returned home from the show; we all sends our best regards to her and the profession. Prof. Smith would like to heor from Horace Copeland, have lost the address.

Charles B. Jefferson's big scenic melodrama, "Shadows of a Great City," comes to the Park theatre next Monday, where it has been seen a number of times, always by large audiences. This is the oldest melodrama now on the road and time does not wear out its good qualities. The play was written twenty years ago and it portrays life in New York. It goes in particularly for scenic effects. In one act a river of real water is shown on which boats carrying real passengers are numerous. Forty thousand gallons of water are utilized in this scene, it being handled in canvass. The plot is a lively one, abounds in comedy and tragedy, all leading to many exciting situations. The story deals with the wickedness of city life, tempered by many heroic characters of manly and womanly type. The company is a large one and includes a number of specialty performers.

The only light opera coming to the Park this year is "El Capitan," the bill beginning next Thursday and continuing for three days. This opera was written by John Phillip Sousa, the famous bandmaster and march king, and it is made up of his best music. The airs are all tuneful, without being trashy. There is a definite plot developed, it containing a sensible story interspersed with much comedy. The story is that of a captain in the Peruvian army. This is the opera which Dewolf Hopper formerly gave. It has been played 2,000 times in the United States and Canada, had a run of 360 nights in New York and 200 in London. This is its first season at popular prices. The opera has been equipped with fresh costumes and scenery and the company is made up of forty singers and comedians. It will be one of the best productions seen at the Park this season.

Clemo Harris and Salem Whitney in the leading role of "The ex-President from Liberia," reports success. This show is carrying a company of 30 artists with Aline Cassell, prima donna, Emma Baynard, prima donna soubrette; Nettie Taylor, queen of instruments; Charles Taylor and W. M. Baynard, musical directors; James Boilden, Montrose Douglass, John Wright, Harry Buckner, William White, Walter Gorden, Douglass Marshall, Misses Golden, Reeves, Carrie Smith and a chorus of 10 more. The public says Harris and Whitney are above the average and our press notices are always headed "The Second Williams and Walker." Miss Aline Cassell met with an accident by making a mistake in her make-up putting carbolic acid on her face instead of glycerine. She is, however, improving nicely. She is receiving four and five encores nightly with the song, "Billy." We are playing some of the large cities now. Will be in Philadelphia Ghristmas week.

Napoleon Johnson writes from Georgia Minstrels.—In Bisbee, Ariz., on the 6th as one of the miner basses took unto himself a helpmete through life; after the performance the band was invited to serenade them after which we partook of a delightful luncheon. Also in Naco, N. M., a few of us were royally entertained. In the afternoon we went across the line in the Republic of Moxico and witnessed a real bullring and as a fight had taken place on the Sunday before, blood stains were all around the ring as the materdor was successful in killing four bulls.

The show is and has been running smoothly for sometime and Clarence Powell our stage manager and star is all smiles. Even all the boys, when leaving the theatre at night, chests begins to swell and they go about as proud as peacocks for on all sides you can hear nothing but praises for company in appearance, deportment and ability.

Now, that we have been up in the high attitudes for the past two or three weeks the light air is not so noticeable. In Deming, N. M., the evening of the 4th, a number of boys shook hands with Al Stokes, Sonny Marshall and friends with Stafford Bros., minstrels as they were on their way from El Passo.

With the approch of Christmas, many nice presents are to be received and given and as a number of us have been fattening them for the occasion as a lady would a turkey for Thanksgiving, a number of costly ones will be make. A Merry Greeting to All—.

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Mitchell, Maudie 2
Morton, Clara
Moxley, Miss Nellie
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Wills, Mrs Bessie
Wilson, Miss Dora

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Bebee, C W
Castor, Frank
Bush, Clarence
Cooper, S
Cissel and Mines 2
Carter and Howell 2
Cooper, J W
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English, J A
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George, J E 2
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Petetts, The
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Williams, H L
Websters, The
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White, Arthur
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1904 ROUTE. 1905

Billy Kersands Minstrels.—Greenville, Tex., Dec. 20; Paris, 21; Dallas, 22; Tyler, 23; Texarkana, 24.

Frank Mahara's Big Minstrels Co.—Kahoka, Mo., Dec. 19; Keokuk, Ia., 20; Bonapart, 21; Eddyville, 22.

A Trip to Africa.—Sistersville, W. Va., Dec. 19; St. Marys, 20; Marietta, O., 21; Parkersburg, W. Va., 22; Jackson, 23; Portsmouth, O., 24.

The McCarvers-(Billy & Sadie)—Vallejo, Cal., week of Dec. 18.

Wang Doodle Comedy 4, en route with Bob Manchester's Cracker Jack Co.: Julius Glenn, Jim White, Erb Robinson, Harzey Goodall—Toledo, O., week of Dec. 19.

CLUB NOTES

Edited by Paralee Lucas.

Dramatric Club.

The young ladies of the Dramatic Club met for a few minutes Monday afternoon, Nov. 28, for the purpose of voting in new members, especially the masculine portion. The play to be presented is a tragedy and will be staged in January, probably at new Eldridge Hall.

The Stewardess Board.

The ladies of the Stewardess Board met at the residence of Mrs. M. J. Reed, 731 New York street. The concert to be given Dec. 8th was the topic of discussion, and donations for the same was solicited. Those present were Mrs. L. Gleed, Mrs. Nell Hawkins, Mrs. Callie Thomas, Mrs. M. E. Lucas, Mrs. P. Henderson, Mrs. M. Fishback, Mrs. M. J. Reed and Miss Mabelle Gleed. Luncheon was served.

Eureka Club.

There was a fair attendance at the Eureka Club Monday evening, Nov. 28, at the residence of Mrs. M. J. Reed, the president, Mrs. Maggie King, presiding. The secretary was absent, and the program on that account had to be omitted. Delegate election was deferred until the next meeting. The present officers were voted to hold their offices until the expiration of another six months. The following members were present: Mesdames Maggie King, Clara Cupeland, Libbie Copeland, Maggie Fishback, Mayhue, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Coleman, Mrs. P. Henderson, Mrs. M. J. Reed and Mr. Lemuel King.

Sierra Leone Club.

The ladies of the S. L. D. T. met Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 29, with Mrs. P. Cloud. Owing to the fact that the anniversary was to take place that evening there was only a short business meeting. Delegates were elected to the Interstate Literary Association which convenes in Topeka, Kas., during holidays. The following ladies were chosen: Mesdames May Young, Lucy Gleed and Ophelia Hawkins. After adjournment the ladies were served lunch

Society Event.

All Lawrence society turned out en masse to the celebration of the 12th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Snowden at their residence, 900 Pennsylvania street The affair was one of the prettiest society events of the winter season. As the guests entered they were received by Miss Mabelle Gleed and Mrs. Nellie Hawkins. The reception matrons were Mesdames Lillie Garter, Addie White, Lula Verder and P. Cloud. The front parlor was tastefully decorated with pink and white crepe streamers draped from the four corners of the room. Plants were banked about in profusion. In the dining room the same pink and white streamer effect was carried out. Music was furnished throughout the evening by Messrs. Theodore Copeland (pianist) and F. Richardson and George King (clarionetists). At 9:50 p m. Rev. J. F. Sage stood before the happy couple and performed the ring ceremony, after which congratulations were extended. During the receiving hours over one hundred guests partook of the elaborate five course luncheon. Those who assisted in the dining room were Misses Ora Carter, Agnes Gray, Mattie Miller and Pearl Price. Misses Smith and Alice Miller presided at the punch bowl. A large number of valuable presents were showered. The list of names giving presents will be omitted as space does not permit only the mention of club leaders.

Mrs. Brynt's club, table linen; Mrs. Hawkins and Sierra Leone club, lamp; Mrs. Hayter and club, divan; Miss J. Alexander's club, kitchen cabinet and rocking chair; Mrs. Yeager's club, silver tea spoons; Mrs. Price's club, rocking chair. The other articles are china chocolate set, after dinner set, bed spread, linen towels, dresser scarfs, hemstitched linen napkins, jardinier and stand, Indian statuette, cut flower bowl, set of dinner plates, cake plates. The favors were wedding bells tied with pink and white ribbon.

Pallacean League.

The Pallacean Girls' League met at the residence of Miss Dillard on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 26, at 4 o'clock. Miss Miller, the leader, being absent, the ladies spent the hour in discussing current events. It was decided to send a box of books to Tuskegee Institute for a Christmas present.

The Auxiliary Board.

The ladies of the Auxiliary Board met at the residence of Mrs. Jack Johnson, 819 New Jersey street, the president in the chair. There was quite a large attendance and the time was occupied with routine business. After adjournment the ladies were served a most appetizing lunch.

THE GREAT TAYLOR RECITAL.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

[Syndicated in The Freeman and Tribune exclusively.]

S. Coleridge Taylor, the world's greatest Negro composer of England, made his first bow to a Philadelphia audience at Witherspoon hall, Thursday evening, December 8 The atmosphere was the very cream of culture. It was an evening of rare art and one long to be remembered by those present who appreciated the very highest aim in classical music. After Mr. Taylor had been introduced by P. H Goepp, a city composer, Frederick Hahn, a white violin virtuoso and Mr. Taylor himself opened the recital with two numbers: a "Gypsy song" and 'Gypsy dance" for violin and piano. These numbers did not impress above the ordinary in the higher Gypsy music class and were followed by three songs from "African Romances" with words by Paul Lawrence Dunbar and music by Mr. Taylor, they were entitled "Over the Hills," "A Starry Night," and "Dawn," the latter number being very short and pretty. These songs were rendered by Miss Marie Louise Githens, a white soprano singer. Then three more songs: 'Unmindful of the Roses," "Substitution" and "The Shoshone's Adieu" (sorow songs) were rendered by Edwin Evans, a white barinone. Next Mr. Taylor played four Negro melodies on the piano, entitled: "I'm Troubled in Mind," "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child, "Many Thousands Gone" and "Zuleika" (from No. 2 of his Oriental waltzs) the latter being the most impressive of the four, imbrued with some little variety. Two songs from "Hiawatha," "Sweet Evenings Come and Go" and "Spring had Come," sung by Miss Githens, at once aroused the audience to great enthusiasm. They were not only of a lively nature but full of melody and richness "Hiawatha's Vision," sung by Mr. Evans, and "African Dances," four in number, "Allegro Moderato," "Andantino," "Allegro Con Brio" and "Allegro Energico" concluded the program.

As a composer Mr. Taylor can easily claim to be the very greatest one of his race in the world. The Hiawatha music is his master work and it was the only music on the program that could claim for him the superior distinction which he already enjoys. Indeed, no word-picture can well describe the brilliancy and flow of tone and semitone that floats upon the air and hovers in regions of sweet repose which echos far and near that one hears in his music. Like an angel-dove that lingers in waiting for the contrite spirit to waft it safely home so does the solo's of his sweet Hiawatha music steal your soul away and lend your very thoughts into a plethora of ecstasy. His "sorrow" songs are gems of musical diction that never inspire or even impress—an artistic bore of diminuendoes that only appeal to mourners. His Negroes melodies were not reminiscent of American slavery but simply the music of England. His instrumental music and even Hiawatha unsurpassed anything in its class, is all the music of Europe Of his four African dances only two of them attracted. "Allegro Moderato" was a most tuneful number and "Andantino" (based on real Negro melodies) can be claimed to be the richest thing we ever heard of African treatment but its theme is not destined to be what the American Negro original slave music will be when it has received the same advanced development by opportunity. The music of the real native African is therefore inferior. Hiawatha is great, very great, but only as European music. If Mr. Taylor has based it upon Indian tonation its claim to greatness is lost. One has only to hear Cole and Johnson's "Big Indian Chief" to mark the actual extent of Indian tone and movement that will never rank in the classics—that is if Indians act and sing alike the world over. So, it may be that Mr. Taylor's plea of African and Indian treatment can be found in name only, as his works are purely of the European school followed by the old masters.

It was as a composer and not a pianist that Mr. Taylor came before us As a pianist he is roving in temperament with a heavy touch. In giving color to his passages in the cantibiles, changing to pianissimo, was met with a tone too soft to impress from the contrast of a heavy touch. It is in his romances of soft, even, tender melodies that his work is most convincing. But his methods are all of the same artistic bearing that goes with a musical genius. And, again his punctuation was too exacting and often retarded the singer and player even in the most difficult points of prestissimo, but his reading was thereby always perfect.

Miss Githens sang the two Hiawatha songs charmingly. She proved to be a well trained soprano of good quality, and while her voice lacked technical purity and range it was equal to the emergencies of the music. Her sweetest notes were made in the coloratura and lighter passages. There is but little difference between this woman's voice and Mme. Hackley's. I am willing to give the preference to Mme. Hackley where neither of them could ever compare with Selika in her day or Sisseretta Jones (Black Patti) of today. Edwin Evans was the male soloist; his baritone voice made available only by training was unequal to the demands of the Hiawatha music. He deviated from the key more than once in forcing his upper tones, his lower tones were reedy in quality and his falsetto was of a muffled timbre that hardly pleased. This was a disappointment as Harry Burleigh, who was Mr. Taylor's guest, had been seen parading around the auditorium in full dress suit before the recital had begun.

Frederick E Hahn, the violinist, was quite a feature of the program. He is a young man whose talent gives great promise. His execution was remarkable and his style better than many older musicians. He yet likes artistic power and force in heavy work, and I did not think his violin was of the best by any means.

There seems to have been a difference of opinion regarding Mr. Taylor being supported by white talent. The opinion of many that colored talent was not good enough should not be entertained. Colored people should not under-rate themselvef in this manner. The attendence should have been larger, regardless of racial difference. The charity fund and the eminence of Mr. Taylor was the first and only things to be considered so long as Mr. Taylor himself did no select his support, and, besides, his greater musical work has already been produced in this country by superior colored talent, if not in Philadelphia. Dr. N. F. Mossell, who managed the affair, has probably been taught a new lesson about show business, if he has not let me give him a few tips. When a colored star comes under colored management it is always best to have colored talent, as white people will not turn out unless the management (not patronage) is white White talent will not not draw and colored people will not turn out to support white talent and the star goes begging as it were in the fracas. On the other hand colored singers must not expect to be engaged if they stand out for a salary beyond reason simply because the affair is pominent.

After the performance was over there was the usual rush to meet the great composer. Mr. Taylor is of light brown complexion, very young, with long bushy hair. His attitude is cordial and pleasing with an air of modesty and less conceit than you will find in most musical geniuses. After the rush was over I personally congradulated him in behalf of the Freeman and Tribune readers from Maine to california. He had to hurry away to a reception given in his honor by leading white musicians. Before I left the dressing room I whispered to Harry Burleigh: "Sorry you didn't sing the Hiawatha music." To which he replied innocently: "I did, do you mean in Washington?" and, of course I could not reply to that in Philadelphia.

Among the notable people present were Mme. Marie Selika and Signor Velosko, otherwise Sampson W. Williams, Mme, Hackley was also present She is really pleasant and shook my hand heartily. Robbie Robinson, the pianist, was also on hand. Miss Flora Batson was prevented from being present on account of a concert engagement on that evening.

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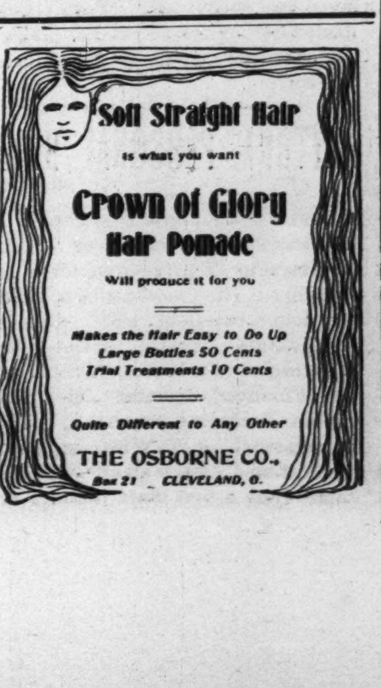

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Duluth, Minn., Special.—Mrs. H. E. Johnson gave a supper for the young people at her residence Thursday evening. The supper table was daintly arranged for twelve. Many rich embroidered pieces and doilies covered the table. Before partaking of the delicious menu of three courses a meeting was called and a Hiawatha Glee club was organized.—Mrs. N Wise, of Cleveland, has moved to Duluth and will make this her future home.—Rev G. B. Pope preached an eloquent sermon last Sunday.—Henry C. Richardson sued B. J. Cook, proprietor of a restaurant, to test the civil rights law. He claims that one of the waitresses refused to serve him.—Miss Mary Brown died at St. Mary's hospital of pneumonia. Funeral services were held Tuesday from St. Mark's church, Rev. G. B. Pope officiating.—William Montgomery died Friday morning at the Red Cross hospital The funeral was officiated by Rev. G. B. Pope Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.—Ruth Lodge, No. 3586, G. U O of O F., took in three new new members: H. H. Starkes, Cornelius Benner and Andrew F. Mason.—Mrs. Harris, of Omaha, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Porter, returned home last week. Mrs Porter accompanied her as far as St. Paul, Minn.—The ladies are going to give a charity ball soon.

DAYTONA PERSONAL BRIEFS.

Daytona, Fla., Special.—The St. Jeptha society, now one year old, has a membership of fifty-seven all in good standing. They meet twice a week and are doing excellent work. President, L McClain; Worthy Prelate. R V. Washington; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella McCoy; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mamie Mittan; Recording Secretary; L Hoad. The marshal, L. W. Williams, is one of the best men in the state.—Mrs. W. J. James runs a first class laundry at her home.—Thomas Asid has a fine cafe, meals at all hours.—Visit Morgan Brother's market and wood yard.—The kindergarten, presided over by Mrs. Josie James, has 39 little pupils. This school is two stories high.—R W. Calvin is running a store and lodging house.

THE FIRST SOLD IN MINEOLA

The colored people of Wood county should patronize the men in business and pay them as they buy.—The first colored newspaper sold on the streets here was The Freeman; it was sold by Sandy Anderson when E. E. Cooper, of Washington, D. C., was editor.—A. G. Allen's minstrels played to good business here recently.—The Mineola Monitor has 1,500 readers, mostly whites.—The city has a new national bank.—Jim Moore has erected a new residence.—Henry Anderson is up again after being sick for sometime.—Mrs. Julia Martin died in Tyler recently.—Miss Anna Brown has recovered.—Darris Holt's wife died in Indian Ter.—A number of our business men will contribute to the Freeman's holiday number.

HELENA PERSONAL CULLINGS.

Helena, Mont., Special.—Mrs. Roberts and Miss Wright were initiated in the Household of Ruth at their last meeting.—Mr. and Mrs Napper entertained at luncheon Mesdames Smith, Miller, Jane Anderson, Morris, Ford and others.—Mr. and Mrs York entertained at dinner in honor of their daughter's, Olga, ninth birthday. Those besides the family were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker, Mrs. Smith and Mr. Banks.—Mrs. Sadie Smith, who has been the guest of Mrs. Albert Marshall, left for her home in Butte Monday after a very pleasant stay

HENDERSON NEWS INKLINGS

Henderson, Ky., Special.—Clarence Gilbert, Charley Finney and John Butler's ball was a success.—Elmwood Johnson, bandmaster Oliver Scott's show, are making a big hit.—The Maryland club will give a entertainment at the Third street hall Christmas eve night.—Herman Caldwell is taking vocal instructions under Charly Dunn.—John Butler has accepted a position with the Y. M. C. A.—The Freeman can be found at John E. Butler's, 1127 North Elm street.

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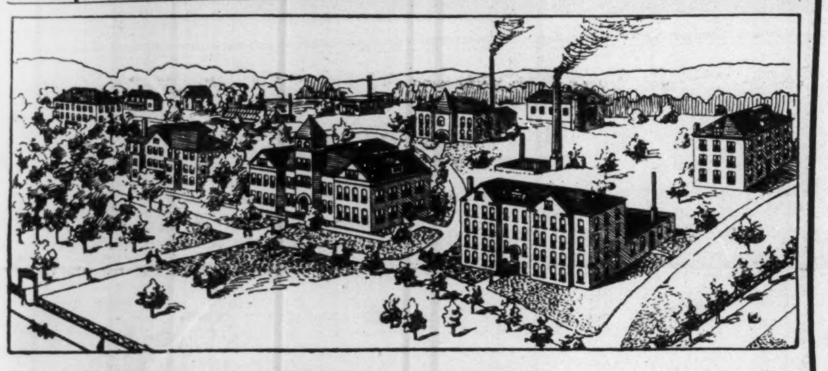

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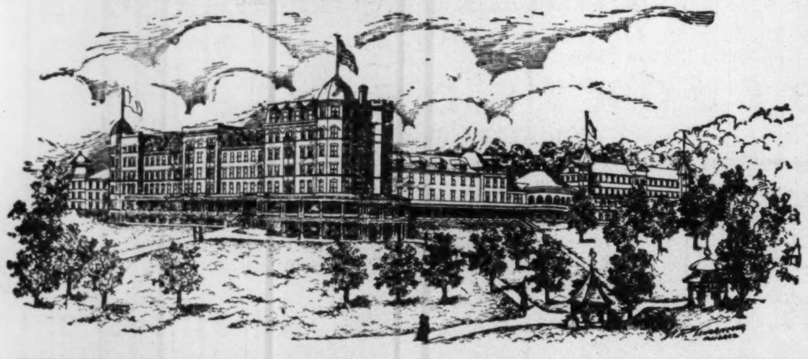

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New Albany, Ind., Special.—The largest and most elaborate social function held here in many years was the complimentary reception given on Saturday evening last by Mrs. Mary E Washington at her handsome residence on Hildreth street. The special guest of honor were the three newly appointed pastors of the Zion churches in the Falls cities—Rev. R. S. Rives, Broadway church, Louisville; Rev Adam Wakefield, Jacob Street Tabernacle, Lovisville; and Rev. R. A. Fisher, Jones Chapel, New Albany, together with their wives. The company numbered more than fifty and was typical of the race's culture, beauty and intellect, embracing the flower of the social, literary and professional life of these shores. Mrs Washington, in regal costume, was a charming hostess, assisted by Mrs. R W. Thompson. In the receiving line were Mrs Clara Woods, Mrs. J. C. Long and Mrs. J. R. Irvin. Prominent among the out of town visitors present were Miss Julia Brown and Mrs. Anna Stevenson, Indianapolis; Mrs. Alice Hughes, French Lick; Mr Leonard Harris, Indianapolis; Rev. A. Nichols, presiding elder; Rev. W. M Langford, of M. E. conference; besides a host from Louisville.

The parlors were tastefully decorated with palms and oriental effects and the dining room was a bower of beauty. The tables were loaded down with a menu that would have done credit to Delmonico and were embellished with cut flowers, baby palms and garlands of smilax.

After coffee the "feast of reason and flow of soul" began with Rev. W. H. Snowden of the Fifteenth Street Zion church, Louisville, as toast-master. Miss Eva J. Bullitt spoke in glowing terms of the ability and character of Dr. Wakefield; Miss Frankie L Wallace eulogized Dr. Rives and Miss Grace Russell paid a beautiful tribute to Dr Fisher. R. W. Thompson utilized the legend of Prince Arthur and his "table round" to extend Mrs. Washington's welcome greeting to the distinguished assembly. To these toasts the reverend gentlemen and Mrs. J. S. Bailey responded in most felicitous terms. Supplementary to the literary program was a number of musical selections by Mrs. Lizzie Evans, Mrs. Woods and Misses Edna Hagans and Grace Russell. The reception was the social triumph of the season and Mrs. Washington's bountiful hospitality will be long remembered by the newcomers around the Falls and bind her even more closely to her countless friends, neighbors and co-workers in the field of charity and fraternity. Mrs. Washington is first vice president of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the A. M. E Zion connection, grand secretary of the Kentucky lodge of Good Samaritans and the prime mover in all the religious and philanthropic labors of this community.

FT. HARRISON LOCAL NOTES

Ft. Harrison, Mont., Special.—A company gave minstrel show recently. After the show every one enjoyed themselves dancing.—Corporal Dickerson and wife entertained Mr. and Mrs. Robers, Miss Wright and John Wright at dinner several days ago —The Christian Endeavor association rendered the following program in the post's chapel last week: Recitation, "Black Irishman," Sam Cooper; solo, "Estella," Miss Nella Allensworth; select reading, Mrs. Jones; solo, "Dream Faces," Miss Louise Wright; recitation, "Thanksgiving," Emma Bridgewater; select reading, Mrs. Miller; solo, "Asleep in the Deep," Corporal Dickerson; recitation, "Be Pleasant," Sophia Bridgewater; instrumental duet, "Belle of Kilarney," Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Wright; reading, Chaplin Allensworth; Alonzo Irvin was chairman musical committee.—Thanksgiving was observed by all the companies.—Sergt Roberts has been in the army for thirty years; he was promoted to color sergeant recently and is now retired from duty as a soldier. Sergt Roberts and family will make their home in the East in the near future. He is greatly missed by his company and all wish him a bright future.—Chaplain and Mrs Allensworth entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of Helena, at dinner recently.—Chaplain Allensworth is in the East on business

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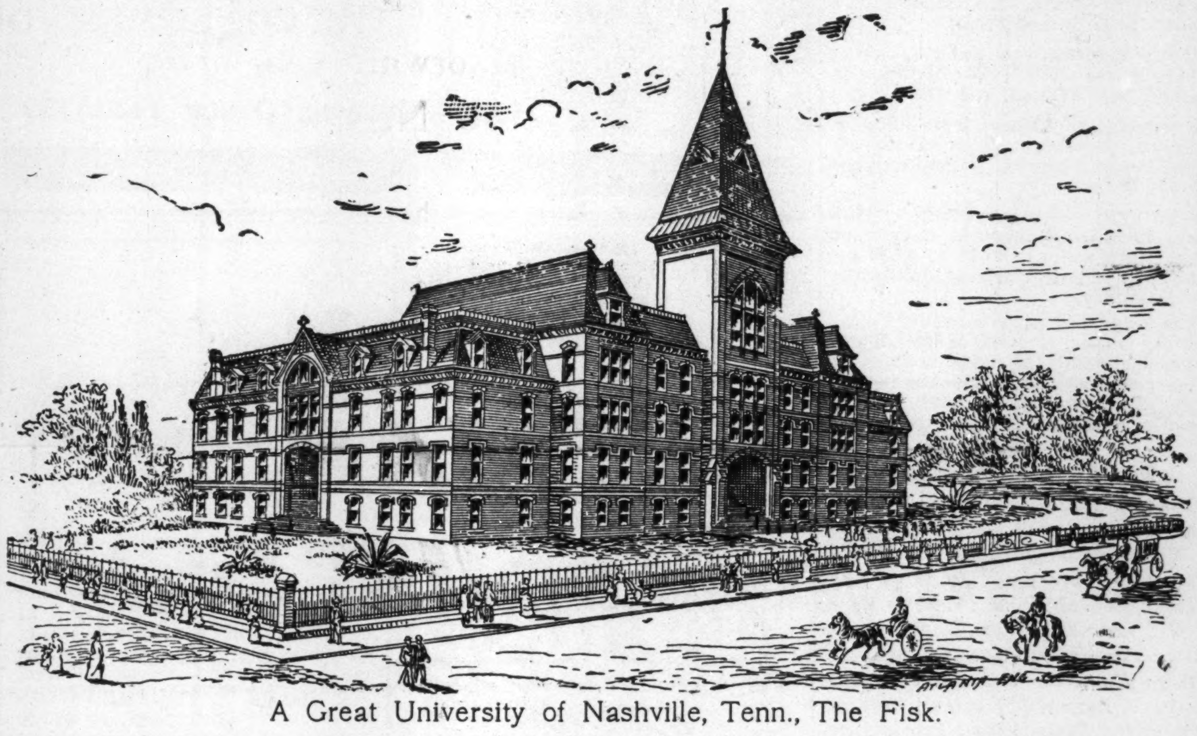

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mrs. Ben Baker is convalescent.

Miss Buelah Willis is improving.

Henry Bracken left for Chicago last week.

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If you want fresh candy see Cragun, 212 Indiana avenue.

Matthew Johnson of Chicago will spend Xmas in the city.

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John Freeman of Paca street, after a short illness died this week.

Mrs. Fannie O. Morgan has gone to Ohio to take a two week's rest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Frederick Hodge are proud parents of a baby girl.

Wm. E Scott will spend Xmas with his parents in North Senate avenue.

Mrs. Robert Lockler, in Agnest street, is able to be out again after a short illness.

Miss Hallie Todd of Orleans, Ind., is visiting Mrs. Tosa Finley in Athon street.

Miss Zola Black and Morris Lewis, Jr., continue ill at their home in California street.

Miss Lottie Lezere, of New York, is spending a few days with Mrs. George Worthington.

Miss Bertha Hudson, of this city, is progressing nicely in her studies at Tuskegee Institute.

Mrs. Frank Thornton was buried from Simpson Chapel church on last Monday evening after a long illness

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Strong entertained the Coney Island club at their home in Douglass staeet on last Monday evening.

Cecil Saunders, headwaiter at the Exchange hotel at the stockyards, who has been suffering with rheumatism is somewhat better.

The Woman's Home Missionary society met at Barnes' Chapel on last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Carrie Ross is president of the society.

Presiding Elder Hagood preached a very able sermon on last Sunday evening at Simpson Chapel. His subject was "Move Away the Stone."

Wm. Jackson was called home last week from French Lick, Ind., on the account of illness of his wife. Mrs. Jackson is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. George F. Dungey gave a benefit at her home in West Eleventh street last Monday night for her brother, Horace Brown, who lost one leg, an arm and two fingers last July.

There will be a grand gospel feast at Shiloh Baptist church next week, Rev. T. Timberlake of Springfield, O, will preach. Special music for the occasion by the different choirs of the city.

Misses Joyce C. Stewart and Blanche B. Stewart will entertain in honor of their fifth and fourth birthdays respectively at the home of the latter in North West street Monday, December 19, from 2 to 5 p. m.

The George Downing Woman's Home Missionary society will be entertained by Mrs. Hattie Sissle, Mollie Motley and Hattie Scott at the home of Mrs. Sissle's, 1708 Columbia avenue, Friday December 23 at 2:30 o'clock.

The Rev. George Brabham of Carlyle, Pa., is in the city at the instance of the official board of the Ninth Presbyterian church. Rev. Brabham is a graduate of Lincoln University. He has a charge at Carlyle but may accept the pastorate of the Ninth Presbyterian church.

Misses Belle Pitts Coleman and Edith Irene Collins, of Detroit, Mich., students of the Detroit School of Elocution were guests of Thaddeus Jones this week. A "storm party" of young men, led by Mr. Jones, was held Monday evening in their honor at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson in East Sixteenth street.

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MASONS ELECT OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year at a regular meeting of Waterford lodge No. 13 F. and A. M. Wednesday evening, December 14: Randall Hodges, W. M.; Charles Epps, S. W.; Timothy Butler, J. W.; Deloss Seaton, treasurer; Charles Goens, secretary; Wm Nell Wm. Thomas, trustees; J. D Barber, S. D.; Henry Phillips, J. D.; Wm. Finley, Wm. Burch, stewards; Wm. Johnson, chaplain; Wm. Winlock, tyler.

An Electric Massager.

The Czar barbershop, known for its progressiveness has recently introduced an electric massage machine for the benefit of its patrons and the public generally. It was purchased at quite an expense by Mr. Gray who finds nothing too good for his patrons; he is justly proud of the fact that his place is in the lead. The electric massager will be used for treating the face also the body. Headaches and kindred nervous troubles will be treated by skillful operators. The invited to come in and see the wonderful little instrument. Treatment at the popular price, 25 cents.

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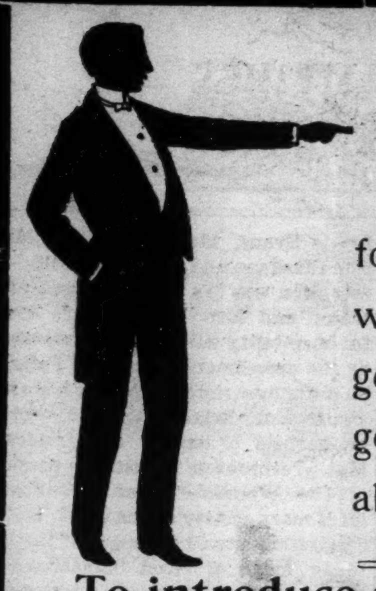

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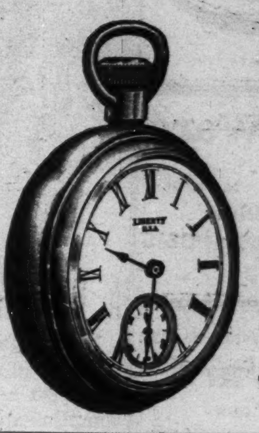

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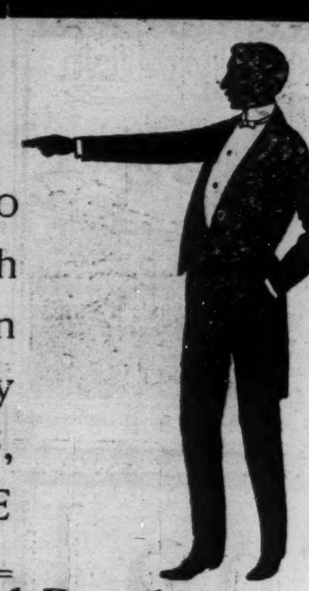

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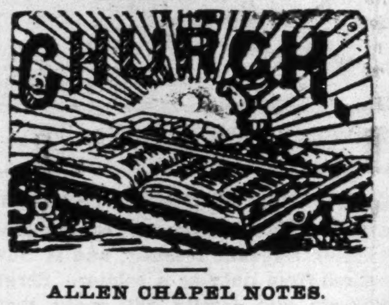
The Chapter held their election Monday night and elected the following officers: Margie Murray, W. M.; Walter Jameson, W. P.; Jennie L Lewis, secretary; Mary Jameson, treasurer; Cassie Seaton, conductor; Edna Thompson, Assistant Conductor.



ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Hours of service:—Sunday, 10:45 a. m., preaching; 12 m., class; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m., preaching; class Tuesday night; prayer meeting Thursday night; teacher's meeting Friday night. Rev. H. E. Stewart, pastor, residence 1501 Cornell ave.

SIMPSON CHAPEL NOTES.

Corner Eleventh and Missouri streets; Sunday school 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; morning class, 12 m.; Epworth League, 7 p m.; preaching, 8 p. m.; weekly meetings, Official Board meeting every Monday evening at 8 o'clock; class meeting Tuesday evening, 7:30; choir practice Wednesday evenings; Epworth League Thursday evening; Queen Esther Circle, Friday evening. Rev. N. H. Talbott pastor, residence 624 W. Eleventh street, new phone 2865.

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422 North Senate avenue, Rev. T. W. Lott, pastor; Sunday School 10 a m; Bible class 7 to 8 p. m.; preaching 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30 to 6 p. m.

CORINTHIAN BAPTIST NOTES.

Rev. J. Franklin Walker pastor. Sunday-school 9 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; communion first Sunday each month.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

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Porterhouse Steak -	"	15c	"	"
Rib Roast - -	"	8c	"	"
Shoulder Clod - -	"	8c	"	"
Chuck Roast - -	"	7c	"	"
Corn Beef - -	"	5c	"	"
Hamburg - - -	"	8½c	"	"
Bacon - - -	"	10c	"	"
Hams, best in market -	"	12½c	"	"
California Hams -	"	10c	"	"
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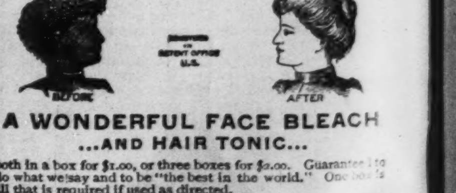

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